

REMARKS

This Amendment After Allowance amends the specification by rewriting the applicants' priority claim. More particularly, the amendment inserts (1) a reference to U.S. provisional application 60/121,180, and (2) deletes information concerning publication of the International application. No new matter has been inserted into the application by this Amendment.

This Amendment is being filed concurrently with payment of the Issue Fee.

Entry of this Amendment is earnestly requested, as it is believed (1) to place the application in better form for allowance, (2) not to raise any new issue or require further search by the Examiner, and (3) to be consistent with current Office policy with respect to priority claims and publication information.

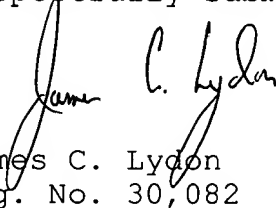
It is not believed that any fee is required for entry and consideration of this Amendment. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is

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authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-1258 in the amount
of any such required fee.

Respectfully submitted,


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